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TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD, SYSTEM, REVERSE VENDING MACHINE AND USE THEREOF FOR HANDLING **EMPTY PACKAGING** 

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| Αp   | plicar | nt herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1.   | X      | This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ² <b>2</b> .                               |        | This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3.   | X      | This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4.   | X      | The US has been elected (Article 31).   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5.   | X      | A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |        | a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |        | b. X has been communicated by the International Bureau.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |        | c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6.   |        | An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |        | a. is attached hereto.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |        | b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.   | X      | Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |        | c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |        | d. have not been made and will not be made.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8.   |        | An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9.   | X      | An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). (PCT/RO/101 Declaration Sheet (iv))  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10   |        | An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).                    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Item   | s 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11   | X      | An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12   |        | An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13   | X      | A preliminary amendment.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14   | X      | An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15   |        | A substitute specification.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16   |        | A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17.  | . 🗆    | A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18   |        | A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19   |        | A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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Other items or information: (see page 1a)

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- 20. Other documents or information include the following:
  - a) PCT International Search Report, dated February 18, 2004;
  - b) PCT Written Opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority *dated March 22, 2004*;
  - c) PCT Published International Application No. WO 2004/032071 A1, dated April 15, 2004;
  - d) PCT Written Opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority *dated September 21, 2004*;
  - e) PCT International Preliminary Report on Patentability, *dated October 11, 2004*; and,

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#### **SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

Sir:

Applicant hereby submits the formal drawings for this application, consisting of Figs. 1-7 on 5 sheets of drawings.

Confirmation that the enclosed Figs. 1-7 satisfy the requirements for formal drawings is respectfully requested.

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